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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We oppose the US Telecom petition. Please don't eliminate the right of independent carriers to serve customers or impair their abilities to deploy new gigabit fiber service. LMI provides fast, affordable internet & telecom to all. We both want competitive telecommunications. We do not want independent carriers to lose access to critical networks and consumers to lose choice. We oppose the US Telecom petition.

We choose an independent carrier to have a choice because they are trying to keep an affordable internet available to everyone.

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